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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid William W. Walker, supervisor,	\$30.00	
J. G. L. Smith, "	30.00	
W. E. Joy, " two years,	42.00	
J. G. L. Smith, police,	29.00	
Thomas Sargent, "	25.00	
George W. Rines, "	41.00	
George D. Brown, special police,	10.00	
C. S. Bunker, " "	2.00	
Alex Carmel, " "	6.00	
W. O. Ring, " "	2.00	
John Hamel, " "	6.00	
George F. Berry, treasurer,	75.00	
F. D. Osgood, town clerk,	75.00	
P. S. Elliott, balance as selectman, 1889,	11.64	
F. W. Blake, " " " "	7.00	
A. H. Young, " " " "	9.00	
P. S. Elliott, selectman,	139.50	
A. H. Young, "	142.45	
F. W. Blake, "	119.25	
Josiah Goodwin, collector,	200.00	
A. H. Young, health officer,	10.00	
Elliott, Young and Blake, overseers poor,	60.00	
V. A. Grant, balance as collector, 1889,	10.00	
		\$1081.84

SCHOOLS.

Paid H. W. Osgood,	\$8958.25	
Salaries of school board,	150.00	
		\$9108.25

TOWN POOR.

For George E. Rogers,	\$189.03	
Trueworthy Eaton,	7.00	
	<hr/>	\$196.03

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid E. C. Hanson, keeping fire in engine house,	\$9.00	
Pittsfield Aqueduct Co., rent of hydrants,	945.00	
F. H. Hartwell, labor,	1.00	
Eureka Hose Co., hose,	301.25	
H. W. Bachelder, repairs on apparatus,	4.50	
W. E. Joy, salaries, Torrent Hose Co.,	390.00	
F. H. Bachelder, repairs on ladders,	3.25	
C. C. Rogers, material for ladders,	1.50	
F. W. Adams, salaries of Hook and Ladder Co.,	210.00	
H. W. Osgood, salaries of fire wards,	45.00	
B. T. Blaisdell, labor on ladder truck,	2.00	
Luman A. Sherburne, steward,	20.00	
C. E. Brown, steward 1888,	12.00	
C. M. Bailey, supplies,	10.80	
B. M. Tilton, straps for H. & L. pole,	2.50	
H. W. Bachelder, labor on hydrants,	1.68	
David Hill, coal for engine house,	3.95	
	<hr/>	\$1963.43

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid H. M. Foss,	Dist. No. 1,	\$95.43
S. S. Jenness,	" " 2,	72.35
F. W. Blake,	" " 3,	40.10
F. T. Garland,	" " 4,	47.49
Worthen Perkins,	" " 5,	14.00
Henry E. Drake,	" " 7,	47.99
Frank C. Ring,	" " 8,	23.41
Jos. G. Morrill,	" " 9,	64.70
A. P. James,	" " 10,	98.07
C. F. Watson,	" " 11,	32.15
G. W. Johnson,	" " 12,	104.97

Paid R. T. Leavitt, Dist. No. 13,	\$36.60
J. C. McIntosh, " " 14,	77.85
C. C. Sargent, " " 15,	69.18
C. D. Berry, " " 16,	21.63
A. D. Brown, " " 17,	32.81
P. S. Elliott, " " 18,	74.60
J. F. Marston, " " 19,	7.00
B. W. Carson, " " "	14.25
J. A. Barton, " " "	59.95
C. H. Lane, " " " labor on bridge,	21.00
David Goodwin, Dist. No. 19, labor on bridge,	1.30
F. E. Cram, Dist. No. 20, road agent,	2729.88
P. H. Adams, " " " tools,	13.65
J. G. L. Smith, Dist. No. 20, repairs on old road machine, by order of F. E. Cram,	25.00
Varnum & Hoyt, Dist. No. 20, grading,	22.50
C. C. Rogers, Dist. No. 20, labor,	1.50
C. M. Greene, " " " plank,	4.00
Griffin & Gove, " " " "	33.91
French & Joy, " " " "	27.99
George Tyler & Co., Dist. No. 20, edges for machine,	8.35
David Hill, Dist. No. 20, repairs for plow,	6.21
Ed. Dupree, Dist. No. 20, lighting and care of bridge,	10.00
C. A. Bailey, Dist. No. 20, stone work on bridge,	400.00
A. H. Young, Dist. No. 20, grading,	32.49
	<hr/> \$4372.31

Of the above amount \$400 was paid C. A. Bailey for stone work on bridge; \$295.53 was paid F. E. Cram for filling bridge; \$40 was paid F. E. Cram for D. K. Foster for gravel; \$125.75 was paid F. E. Cram for team in outside districts; \$10 was paid E. Dupree for care of bridge nights.

Whole expense of outside districts, including repairs on Chester bridge and \$125.75 paid F. E. Cram for team, \$1082.58.

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid T. J. Maxfield,	Dist. No. 1,	\$10.54	
D. O. True,	" " 2,	2.10	
Hiram Page,	" " 2,	4.50	
George W. Foss,	" " 3,	16.55	
William Shaw,	" " 4,	10.19	
Worthen Perkins,	" " 5,	4.78	
George E. Drake,	" " 7,	16.68	
Frank C. Ring,	" " 8,	.90	
Geo. F. Richardson,	" " 9,	17.97	
A. H. Young and N. M. Emerson,			
Dist. No. 10,		22.14	
C. C. Rogers,	Dist. No. 10,	6 00	
C. F. Watson,	" " "	2.60	
R. T. Leavitt,	" " 12,	6.75	
E. E. Stockman,	" " 13,	1.20	
Joseph Harvey,	" " 14,	13.20	
Moses Martin,	" " 15,	.85	
C. D. Berry,	" " 16,	5.00	
E. C. Emerson,	" " 17,	7.56	
John W. Dow,	" " 17,	2.25	
A. B. Carson,	" " 19,	6.45	
B. W. Carson,	" " 19,	1.80	
J. A. Barton,	" " 19,	10.80	
F. E. Cram,	" " 20,	95.10	
F. E. Sanborn,	" " "	4.85	
O. J. Gray,	" " "	9.00	
C. E. Ferrin,	" " "	1.50	
E. A. Brown,	" " "	9.40	
D. K. Swett,	" " "	7.50	
F. E. Cram,	" " " sanding		
walks,		48.13	
G. W. Perry,	Dist. No. 20, sanding		
walks,		19.50	
		<hr/>	\$364.59

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid E. C. Hanson,	\$ 48.33	
Pittsfield Gas Co.,	458.26	
	<hr/>	\$506.59

SEWERS.

Paid Fiske, Coleman & Co., sewer pipe,	\$230.13	
Thompson & Houge, " "	2.60	
H. W. Clapp, castings,	6.80	
A. H. Young, labor laying pipe,	121.77	
E. E. May, flushing sewers,	16.45	
J. G. L. Smith, sharpening picks,	3.60	
P. H. Adams, cement and tools,	22.50	
P. S. Elliott, labor laying pipe,	241.50	
Concord railroad, freight on pipe,	15.01	
P. & W. Sargent, brick,	11.00	
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		\$671.36

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Paid E. H. Greenwood, damage to team,	\$40.00	
A. B. Come, repairs on Town Hall,	3.75	
J. G. L. Smith, service and costs in J.		
M. Jones case,	5.75	
C. M. Greene, wood for office,	3.50	
J. M. Bachelder, rent of police station,	50.00	
A. G. Day, printing reports and notices,	57.00	
Geo. F. Berry, insurance and cash book,	37.40	
E. A. Lane, insurance on engine house,	10.00	
J. A. Goss, interest,	60.00	
F. W. Blake, copying invoice,	15.00	
" " " " " for com-		
missioners,	10.00	
D. P. Tilton, labor on streets and sewers,	8.75	
L. M. Ham, keys for police station,	1.50	
F. E. Randall, stamped envelopes,	1.10	
Levi Clark, reporting births and deaths,	3.25	
E. L. Carr, " " " "	4.25	
F. E. Cummings, " " "	5.75	
E. B. Ring, supplies,	82.01	
J. P. Young, attending road hearing,	21.50	
T. W. Nuttér, repairing catch basins,	21.80	
H. W. Bachelder, work on hydrants,	1.50	
W. W. Gould, snowing bridge,	5.95	
Silsbee & Son, receipt books,	2.25	

Paid W. B. Hartwell, lumber and labor,	\$35.15
C. M. Bailey, supplies and labor,	17.17
F. Emerson, labor,	1.75
H. L. Brown, express,	1.05
M. H. Nutter, supplies,	18.17
Democratic Press association, printing	
check lists,	12.00
Pittsfield Gas Co., gas for police station,	1.98
W. T. Blake, iron work,	3.00
C. M. Greene, wood for office,	2.00
David Hill, " " "	2.25
A. H. Young, putting up tramps,	5.00
Thomas Sargent, " " "	7.80
J. G. L. Smith, " " "	4.75
F. B. Berry, fees in tramp case,	4.84
F. D. Osgood, recording births and deaths,	17.70
J. B. Sanborn, order and receipt books	
and blanks,	15.60
A. G. Day, printing police notices,	5.00
George F. Berry, rent,	60.00
P. S. Elliott, railroad fares and expenses	
on town business,	34.68
V. A. Grant, stationery,	2.52
A. H. Young, use of team,	8.25
" " expense in road case,	21.40
F. W. Blake, " " "	14.00
Chase & Streeter, Concord, counsel in	
road case,	280.35
Chase & Streeter, commissioners' ex-	
penses,	210.00
A. H. Young, on road case,	21.40
F. W. Blake, " " "	14.50
A. H. Young, interest,	50.00
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	\$1551.85

COUNTY POOR.

For Mrs. John Tasker,	\$225.61
Mrs. John Daley,	21.35
Mrs. Nathan Way,	119.61
Benjamin S. Wells,	41.06

For Mrs. Lester Harvey,	\$38.39	
Susan E. Blanchard,	36.00	
Rose Hamil,	149.18	
L. F. Battis,	18.70	
Josephine Hamil,	24.50	
Eliza Cormier,	25.10	
Charles H. Reynolds,	18.37	
William Weeks,	13.00	
George W. Brock,	15.00	
Transient,	64.34	
	<hr/>	\$810.21

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

For D. D. Hanscom,	\$122.19	
Eva Jones,	128.38	
C. E. West,	54.72	
J. L. Drew,	82.42	
John Dorway,	286.06	
C. E. Dennett,	32.50	
Ethel Brock,	78.00	
Lewis Jones,	34.05	
George W. Richardson,	17.50	
John B. Brock,	14.50	
C. H. Buckman,	80.00	
William H. Sargent,	14.00	
Joseph G. Hill,	44.08	
A. D. Powell,	84.00	
S. P. Bunker,	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$1092.40

DOG DAMAGE.

Paid William G. French, jr., damage to hens,	\$6.00	
C. H. Lougee,	" "	5.00
F. T. Garland,	" "	1.00
Mattie S. Munsey,	" "	7.00
Charles S. Bunker,	" "	2.00
F. O. Sanborn,	" "	2.00
C. S. Tilton,	" "	1.00
F. W. Blake,	"	sheep, 28.00
George E. Drake,	" "	8.00

Paid George W. Foss,	damage to sheep,	\$5.00	
F. C. Ring,	" "	4.50	
T. J. Maxfield,	" "	5.00	
George N. Foss,	" hens,	8.00	
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			\$82.50

ABATEMENTS.

Paid M. D. Cram, water tub (two years)	\$6.00	
E. A. Brown, " "	3.00	
Calvin Joy, " "	3.00	
Hiram Page, " "	3.00	
Edgar F. Ring, " "	3.00	
George Gossman, overvaluation real estate,	7.20	
J. H. Cilley, " " "	7.20	
R. L. French, over 70, and loss of cow,	3.00	
H. A. Greenleaf, taxed twice 1889,	3.70	
Benjamin F. Redfern, overvaluation 1888,	9.00	
R. L. French, property exempt by statute		
tax 1889,	33.30	
M. J. Tallant, property exempt by statute		
tax 1889,	69.60	
C. O. Emerson, overvaluation,	12.00	
J. H. Fowle, property not owned,	2.40	
A. P. James, overtax on horse, 1888,	4.00	
V. A. Grant, collector 1889,	62.86	
J. S. Goodwin, taxes not collectable,	34.80	
J. S. Goodwin, poll and other taxes, in-		
cluding dogs,	255.57	
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		\$514.43

DISEASED ANIMALS.

Paid H. A. Dow, examining Tebbetts' cattle,	\$5.00	
" " " T. Eaton's horse,	7.00	
William H. Tebbetts, cattle killed,	228.60	
" " " killing and burying		
cattle,	8.00	
William H. Tebbetts, killing and burying		
horse,	7.00	
Clough, Sargent and Tilton, appraising		
horse,	4.50	
T. Eaton, expense in horse case,	4.29	
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		\$264.39

SIDEWALKS.

Paid Varnum & Hoyt, concreting,	\$712 07	
W. E. Joy, park,	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$762.07

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Paid F. S. Cole, for Post 29, G. A. R.,	\$50.00	
George Tyler & Co., road machine,	235.00	
Concord railroad, freight, road machine,	4 65	
N. S. Drake, balance due on Academy		
park,	100.00	
Monumental Bronze Co., monument,	3000.00	
Congregational society, winding clock,	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$3414.65

P. S. ELLIOTT,	}	Selectmen.
A. H. YOUNG,		
F. W. BLAKE,		

We have examined the books of the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1891. We find them correctly cast and all expenditures accounted for by itemized bills.

CHARLES M. BAILEY,	}	Auditors.
TRUE H. MAXFIELD,		
HENRY W. OSGOOD,		

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

The following report of the Collector of taxes of the town of Pittsfield for the year ending March 1, 1891, is respectfully submitted :

Amount of taxes committed for collection,	\$26,736.79	
“ “ interest collected,	75.00	
“ “ estimated interest due,	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$26,821.79
Taxes paid to treasurer,		\$26,450.00
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Balance due,		\$371.79

I do not think the loss on above balance will exceed \$5.00, it being against good tax payers and mostly secured by real estate.

TOTAL LOSS ON TAXES :

Parties leaving the state, ten poll taxes,	\$24.00	
Personal property,	2.04	
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Total abated,		\$26.04

The above abatement of \$26.04 does not, of course, include over-tax and taxes assessed against persons not liable.

J. S. GOODWIN, Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

In compliance with the law the following report of the treasurer of the town of Pittsfield, N. H., for the financial year ending March 1, 1891, is hereby respectfully submitted :

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand March 1, 1890,	\$1484.42
P. S. Elliott, billiard licenses,	70.00
“ “ circus license,	5.00
“ “ State insurance tax,	35.25
“ “ “ railroad tax,	488.81
“ “ “ literary tax,	401.25
“ “ “ savings bank tax,	3753.26
Cash from selectmen, amount received from state treasurer, quarantines on W. H. Tebbetts' stock, say four-fifths of bill,	54.08
Cash from selectmen, amount received from state treasurer for stock of William H. Tebbetts, killed by selectmen,	128.80
P. S. Elliott, Strafford Co. dependent soldiers,	286.06
“ “ Merrimack Co. “ “	806.34
“ “ “ “ pauper support,	810.21
“ “ police court fines,	7.00
“ “ sale of sewer pipe,	17.09
Town of Loudon, account George E. Rogers' support,	189.03
V. A. Grant, collector 1889, balance,	1734.80
“ “ “ “ error in tax list,	112.49
J. S. Goodwin, collector for 1890,	26,450.00
	\$36833.89

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR 1890.

Special appropriations :

Monument,	\$3000.00	
Academy park, balance 1889,	100.00	
Road machine,	239.65	
F. S. Cole, G. A. R. post 29.	50.00	
E. B. Ring, care of town clock,	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$3414.65

SCHOOLS.

H. W. Osgood, treasurer school board,	\$8958.25	
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State tax,	\$2805.00	
Merrimack county tax,	2609.87	
	<hr/>	\$5414.87

COUPONS.

Coupons No. 14, due January 1, 1890,	\$247.50	
" " 15, due January 1, 1891,	2300.00	
	<hr/>	\$2547.50
Pittsfield National bank, balance on note,	1000.00	
" " " interest on same,	13.67	
	<hr/>	\$1013.67

Paid orders Selectmen Elliott, Young and
Blake :

Account breaking roads,	\$364.59	
" fire department, bill 1889,	301.25	
" " " " " 1890,	1662.18	
" dog damage,	82.50	
" lighting streets,	506.59	
" town officers,	1231.84	
" repairing highways,	4372.31	
" county poor, county transient, county criminals and dependent soldiers,	1912.66	
" repairing sidewalks,	762.07	
" sewers,	671.36	
" abatements,	514.43	
" current expenses,	1551.85	
" town poor,	196.03	
	<hr/>	\$14,129.66
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		\$35,478.60

ASSETS.

Cash on hand March 2, 1891,	\$1355.29	
Due from Walter E. Joy, collector 1887,	401.87	
“ “ J. S. Goodwin, “ 1890,	371.79	
“ “ town of Chichester (in process of law) for account Mrs. Nehemiah Locke,	103.11	
	<hr/>	\$2232.06

LIABILITIES.

Bonded debt,	\$50,000.00	
Accrued interest on the same,	416.67	
Coupons due January 1, 1890,	125.00	
“ “ “ 1, 1891,	200.00	
Note due Alpheus H. Young,	1000.00	
	<hr/>	\$51,741.67
Less Assets,		2232.06
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Liability of town March 1, 1891,		\$49,509.61

County tax for year 1890 exceeded year 1889, \$446.32.

GEORGE F. BERRY, Treasurer.

PROPERTY OWNED BY TOWN OF PITTSFIELD.

310 shares Suncook Valley R. R. non-dividend paying stock until January 1, 1912.

Town Hall and lot.

Engine house and lot.

Fire apparatus.

Sealers weights and measures.

PITTSFIELD, N. H., March 3, 1891.

We have examined the books of the Town Treasurer and find them correctly and neatly kept, and all monies paid out accounted for by proper vouchers.

CHARLES M. BAILEY,	} Auditors.
TRUE H. MAXFIELD,	
HENRY W. OSGOOD,	

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

From town treasurer,	\$2729.88
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EXPENDITURES.

For labor as per books,	\$2268.60	
labor on bridge as per bill,	295.53	
labor in other districts,	125.75	
gravel as per bill of D. K. Foster,	40.00	
	<hr/>	\$2729.88

FRANK E. CRAM, Agent.

March 2, 1891.

We have examined the books of the Road Agent and find all expenditures avouched for.

TRUE H. MAXFIELD,	} Auditors.
H. W. OSGOOD,	

SCHOOL REPORT.

The Board of Education for the town of Pittsfield respectfully submits the following report:

The provisions of the General Laws of New Hampshire make it incumbent upon the school board to report annually the condition of the various schools in town; to announce any improvements which have been made in educational matters, and to point out to the public any means which may occur to them by which the efficiency of the schools may be augmented. Fortunate indeed is that wise provision of the law which permits the board to consist of several members, with a divided responsibility, and several sets of the appendages of locomotion, that in the day when the vials of public wrath are uncorked each may avail himself of his blessed individuality and flee to his respective city of refuge. Broad must be the shoulders and stout the heart that would be possessed by the man or woman who would dare single handed to accept the onerous duties of school supervision when he knows that acting jointly with others it is so vastly easy to say, "the other fellow did it."

The present board, however, are agreed that in all cases during the past year where any good results have been obtained and perceptible benefits have been the harvest, they will mutually share in the credit, while on the contrary, where mistakes have been made and errors committed they will jointly assume the blame, asking the generous public not to forget that it is human to err. In this connection we say that it would be surprising if during the year nothing had been done by the board which was not open to criticism, remembering the varied interests to be conserved, the vastly diverging opinions entertained by people equally sincere in their convictions of right and wrong, the multiplied phases of character and disposition found in our schools, and the fact of being compelled to completely organize and classify a new high school from chaotic confusion and to equip it with teachers and necessary text books. Yes, we have doubtless erred and sometimes gone astray, but in view of all our experience in the past we are of the opinion that any person who serves on a similar commission under like circumstances would at the end of the year be inclined to quote Lincoln's favorite line, "Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?" We only say in justification of our official deeds, that we have on all occasions done

our duty as we understood it and in an entirely conscientious way, but have been unable sometimes to follow the plan advised by the Sunday school teacher who told his class that if a father told them to do a thing and their mother told them not to do it, always to mind them both.

SCHOOL YEAR.

It is a question not yet fully decided, perhaps, "How long shall our children be kept in school each year?" In many localities the school year consists of thirty-seven weeks, and this is nearly the average in city schools where the list of studies is extended and where, of course, hygienic conditions are not so favorable as in the country. Our year has consisted of thirty-two weeks in nearly every school, giving the suburban schools as good or better opportunities than have been enjoyed by the village schools. Complaint is made that in many towns the outer districts are made to suffer for the benefit of those located in villages. Such is certainly not the case in our town, and this fact furnishes the strongest reason why the outer districts should not wish to return to the old district system. If the town appropriates \$4000 for school purposes outside of its note falling due and the interest, which is the smallest sum they can appropriate reasonably, they will get for the coming year thirty-two or thirty-three weeks of school and at the same time, by careful economy in other directions, effect a large reduction in the public tax rate. We say on this subject, economize by all means in every reasonable direction, but not at the expense of the children. This appropriation of \$4000 should be made by the town, leaving the district nothing to raise out the money to meet one \$2000 note and interest amounting to \$400, a total sum of \$6400, against \$9000 last year for school purposes.

HYGIENE.

Complete manhood or womanhood consists of a sound mind in a healthy body, and no course of education is proper which does not have both these conditions in view. With our new school building, after a fair trial we do not hesitate to say that it stands fully up to the highest promises made by the projectors. A distinguished physician has recently declared that 75 per cent of all the throat diseases found among children are directly traceable to poorly ventilated school rooms. If this be true, as it doubtless is, we are all able to rejoice in the ownership of a building which is complete in its heating and ventilating features. It may be remarked by any one who will take pains to visit the building during school sessions that not a trace of any unwholesome odor can be discovered at any time in any part of the building. There has been no epidemic of any character to break up

the schools and frighten the parents, as in some former years, which ought to be one of the most gratifying facts in our school year. The care of the building and the fine condition in which it is found by the board after three terms of occupation give reason for the opinion that the children are proud of their new home and are determined to continue it in its present good condition. The evidences are not lacking that the pupils are as much improved as their surroundings. The girls feel and appear more like young ladies. The boys carry more and more the air of gentlemen, which conditions we hope and expect to see go on in rapid ratio. As we have before observed, the stream can rise no higher than the fountain, and children will shape themselves largely by the conditions and influences under which they are placed.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

By the request of State Superintendent Patterson it was deemed advisable to hold during the winter term a Teachers' Institute. The cost to the district was only a few dollars, for use of the Opera House, all other expenses being met by the superintendent and by those who attended the sessions. We are of the opinion that the three days' session resulted in much good and that all the teachers who attended were largely benefited by their contact with the opinions and experiences of some of the best educators in New England. We think that many of the teachers and others became convinced that improved methods, matured by long and careful trial, are capable of producing better results than were accomplished during the pod-auger and wooden plough period. While advancement is being made in every other department of life, in all the arts, sciences and processes, we do not quite see how it can be reasonably held that our ancient schools, school houses and teachers were better than those of the present age, and that we are advancing backward in matters pertaining to education. Contrasting ancient with modern local schools we desire to emphasize the fact that while formerly we taught reading, spelling, arithmetic and grammar, we now add to the list in the present year history, book-keeping, algebra, philosophy, physiology, rhetoric, geometry, Latin, Greek and botany, to be supplemented later by such studies as are usually in a complete high school course. Are any or all of these studies valuable as means for mental culture, or have the people of this country made a fatal mistake in placing them in our schools and colleges? Let no one be discouraged. The darkness of superstition is being drifted away by the incoming light of progress. All healthy progress is over the rugged hill of opposition, and although croaking and discontent with existing circumstances may be expected to continue for a time, they will constantly grow less and less until a reasonable condition of educational peace will come over us like the memories of a sweet dream.

UNION SCHOOLS.

An opportunity was presented at the first of the year to unite with Northwood in the support of the school in Jenness Pond district. The arrangement was made for the two towns to bear a part of the expense, in proportion to the number of scholars furnished by each. The results have been satisfactory and three terms of school have been given in their own building, which ought to be more satisfactory to the citizens of the district, and better in every way, than to transport the pupils for two terms in the year to the Mountain school. A similar arrangement was made during the last term between Dowboro and certain families in Epsom. By combining districts and parts of districts in this way the schools are made larger and therefore more interesting, while the school year can be increased in length, to the advantage of all parties concerned. In the village schools several pupils have been allowed to attend from other towns as tuition pupils. It is questionable whether it will be policy, as our schools increase in size, to accept pupils from other towns.

HIGH SCHOOL.

One of the greatest difficulties in organizing a high school is to so classify the pupils as to make it certain that each pupil is in the proper grade to produce the best results for themselves, and at the same time to avoid those painful separations of pupils who have long been associated together in school, and whose affections have become so sweetly intertwined. No matter how great the disparity of intellect, no matter how imperative the demands that their classical paths diverge, as soon as the teacher makes the needed classification, life loses for the injured parties all its freshness, and if they remain they pose constantly as martyrs to some one's ignorance, or perchance tender their resignations to accept positions where the duties of life are less burdensome and everything serene. The people of this town need not expect to have an efficient high school till they are ready to concede to the proper parties the right of classification, the right to promote and the right to retard pupils under necessary circumstances. This suggestion is made in all kindness, with the hope that parents will understand that all matters of this kind are conducted with the good of the pupils constantly in view. A wrong opinion seems to prevail among us that we can best aid those who have charge of our high school by letting them severely alone, so far as our presence may be concerned, and by making our criticisms at long range. Every citizen has a right to reasonably criticise this or any other grade, but would it not be as well to do so after careful personal investigation and in a spirit of kindness? It does not take long to find errors if one is constantly looking for them. Doubtless mistakes have been made, and yet it is certain

that even in cases of this kind the parties most aggrieved have been the most conservative in their demands and criticisms, while those least affected have talked loudest and longest. The school has been somewhat broken up during the year by causes and circumstances which we can most eloquently describe by not discussing, but we feel like asking the citizens to have a little patience and you will get your entire list of schools in as good form as you could reasonably desire. It ordinarily takes from one to three years to get a graded system into good working order.

EXAMINATIONS.

Some divergence of opinion exists relative to the value of written tests as an evidence of proficiency in scholarship. We hear of college graduates frequently that he graduated first, second or third in his class. In military schools similar tests are used and each graduate takes his class rank. So in medicine and in law. In employing a physician or a lawyer it would of course be gratifying to know that we had secured one who led his class in pursuing his studies, which would ordinarily indicate either that he had better natural gifts or that he had made a wise use of opportunities, or both. In any event we all rather like to get No. 1 goods in every department of life. The value of these tests consists in the fact that though all cannot be No. 1 in a given class all can try to be, and this trying process is precisely what results in benefit to the pupil, giving him good habits of study, making him deliberate in judgment and fixing in his mind the truth that the test efforts are required to bring men to the front in this age of active competition. We have these tests twice each term. In some towns they are used every week.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The free text book plan has been given a fair trial and the results have been in every way satisfactory. The expense of furnishing new books for the first year was quite large, but will be very light the present year, as those now on hand are in a good state and can be used for future classes until entirely worn out. Books owned by the district are more carefully handled than if owned by the pupils, and the fact of their being used over and over again reduces the average annual expense by thirty to fifty per cent. This law proves to have been no mistake. Almost all the books needed for the coming year will be a few for the new classes in the high school and writing books and blanks for the lower grades. We urge the people of the district to get if possible a little closer to the several schools, to visit them a little more frequently than during the past year, to criticize carefully and judiciously as may be, to be economical but not

niggardly in appropriations, and the results will grow more and more satisfactory.

The suggestions contained in this report are made in a spirit of the greatest deference to the opinions of those who may hold counter views on any of the subjects discussed, with no desire save to advance the general character of our schools, and we close, expressing the hope that there is much good for us in the future in educational matters.

F. E. RANDALL, }
E. L. CARR, } School Board.
H. W. OSGOOD, }

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of School.	Name of Teacher.	Term.	No. Pupils.	Average.	Reading.	Writing.	Spelling.	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	History.	Bookkeeping.	Physical Geography.	Physiology.	Algebra.	Latin.	Greek.	Geometry.	Philosophy.	Rhetoric.
Jenness Pond.	Mary A. Jenkins	1	17	15	17	17	17	8	13	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	2	14	11	14	14	14	6	11	8	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Upper City.	S. C. Caswell	3	8	6	8	8	8	2	6	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	1	19	18	19	18	19	7	18	9	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tilton Hill.	Lilla A. Beck	2	17	16	17	15	17	4	15	9	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	3	15	14	15	15	15	5	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mountain.	Lizzie Johnson	1	10	8	10	8	10	3	7	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	2	13	9	13	10	13	2	10	3	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dowboro.	Alice Kelley	3	9	7	9	7	9	3	7	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	1	19	19	19	18	19	14	17	14	10	6	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..
Brick School	Mabel Osgood	2	18	17	18	18	18	13	16	12	9	5	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	3	16	15	16	16	16	13	15	15	7	4	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..
Primary.	Abbie J. James	1	25	23	25	25	25	11	19	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	2	28	6	28	28	28	13	24	14	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Intermediate.	Adda Lake	3	24	19	24	24	24	12	24	14	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	1	51	..	51	..	51	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gram. No. 2	Sophia George	2	51	40	51	..	51	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	3	46	37	46	21	46	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gram. No. 1	Belle Harrison	1	79	76	79	79	79	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	2	52	50	52	52	52	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
High	Mrs. E. A. Lane	3	49	47	49	49	49	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	1	51	49	51	51	51	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Newell	Sophia George	2	55	52	55	55	55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	3	53	51	53	53	53	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Newell	Mrs. E. A. Lane	1	37	33	37	37	37	17	37	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	2	36	34	36	36	36	16	36	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Newell	Mrs. C. W. Martin	3	36	31	36	36	36	17	36	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	1	34	32	34	34	34	34	34	34	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Newell	Genella Fowler	2	31	29	31	31	31	31	31	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	" "	3	31	30	31	31	31	31	31	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Newell	" "	1	38	35	38	15	35	35	5	..	..	18	15	17	12	8	2	5	6	6
	" "	2	50	47	50	20	37	38	16	..	16	..	14	6	22	13	4	8	3	3
F. W. Newell	" "	3	45	41	45	14	35	36	22	..	18	18	15	20	20	10	4	6	3	3

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from James Griffin, treasurer 1889,	\$1.88
G. F. Berry, town treasurer, (Appropriations)	8500.00
Literary fund,	401.25
Dog tax,	57.00
Town of Epsom, school service,	8 00
“ “ Northwood, “ “	113.25
F. W. Newell, tuitions,	30.00
Sale of books,	12.31
Discount on note.	38.46
Return of insurance premiums,	48.98
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	\$9211.13

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$3519.00
Books,	779.28
Note and interests,	2100.00
Repairs and improvements,	1807.18
Wood supplies,	311.40
Janitors,	230.75
Miscellaneous expenses,	229.78
Insurance,	150.00
Taxes,	23.34
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	\$9150.73

Balance in hands of Treasurer,	<hr/>	\$60.40
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H. W. OSGOOD, Treasurer Board of Education.

PITTSFIELD, Feb. 28, 1891.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1890-1891.

By the town for school purposes,	\$3300.00	
school district,	600.00	
“ “ for note and interesst,	2100.00	
“ “ “ repairs on Dowboro		
schoolhouse,	100.00	
school district, for repairs on Mountain		
schoolhouse,	100.00	
school district, for high school build-		
ing,	1550.00	
school district, for books,	300.00	
“ “ “ janitors and fuel,	300.00	
“ “ “ insurance,	150.00	
		\$8500.00

We have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Education, and find them correctly cast and all expenditures avouched for by itemized bills.

CHARLES M. BAILEY, }
TRUE H. MAXFIELD, } Auditors.

Births Registered in the Town of Pittsfield, for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of Birth, 1890.	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
	Place of Birth.	Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Jan. 11	Pittsfield	M	L	George F. Haskel	Emma E. Battis	M	Pittsfield	Farming	Canterbury, N. H.	Northfield
Jan. 27	"	F	4	William P. Adams	Emma E. Hartwell	W	"	Machinist	Pittsfield	Amherst
Feb. 1	"	M	6	Nelson Wood	Annie Ring	"	"	Woodchopper	"	Canada
Mar. 10	"	M	2	Alexander Langley	Rosa Fertche	"	"	Farmer	"	"
Mar. 21	"	F	14	George F. Berry	Emma J. Rollins	"	"	Treasurer	Pittsfield	Bedford
Mar. 22	"	F	6	Felix Chamberlain	Angele M. Dube	"	"	Clerk	Canada	"
Mar. 23	"	M	8	Thomas O'Brien	Annie Labonty	"	"	Laborer	"	"
Mar. 26	"	F	2	Romeo L. J. Laplante	Marie Devinanagh	"	"	Clerk	"	"
Mar. 28	"	M	2	David O. Sherburne	Emma F. Fullerton	"	"	Shoemaker	Gilmanston	Pittsfield
Apr. 3	"	M	1	Theophilus Cloutier	Salina King	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada
Apr. 11	"	F	1	Mitchel Gauthier	Matilda Subin	"	"	Shoemaker	Biddeford, Me.	"
Apr. 18	"	F	3	Gilbert McNeill	Elizabeth Hair	"	"	Plumber	Scotland	Scotland
May 12	"	M	1	Joseph Sincere	Ethier Longevrin	"	"	Mill Operative	Canada	Canada
May 12	"	F	13	Thomas Leary	Annie Wilson	"	"	Shoemaker	Pepperill, Mass.	Weare
May 12	"	M	2	James M. Carley	Florence Labarn	"	"	Mill Operative	Canada	Canada
May 16	"	F	1	David Genest	Cordeila Buttsere	"	"	Shoemaker	Canada	"
May 20	"	M	6	Orin A. Emerson	Ella F. Brown	"	"	"	Barstield	Northwood
June 7	"	F	1	Elmer H. Twombly	Augusta Clough	"	"	"	Canada	Barnstead
June 12	"	F	4	Eugene May	Helen Gilbert	"	"	"	Massachusetts	Canada
June 17	"	F	1	Frank A. Martin	Dena M. Twombly	"	"	"	Canada	Barstield
June 17	"	M	1	Joseph Butcher	Ogil Miner	"	"	"	Canada	Canada
June 24	"	M	3	Melvin A. Morrill	Clara A. Pouslee	"	"	"	Amebury, Mass.	Pittsfield
June 25	Pittsfield	F	4	Joseph Carrier	Auguste Lavender	"	"	Mill Operative	Canada	Sheffield
July 29	"	M	1	Charles W. Shattuck	Minnie E. Stevens	"	"	Shoemaker	Colebrook	Sheffield
July 31	"	M	10	Charles N. Buckman	Mary E. Quinby	"	"	Weaver	Boston	Goffstown
Aug. 2	"	"	1	Frederick K. Folsom	Hattie F. Tuttle	"	"	Merchant	Pittsfield	Pittsfield
Aug. 12	"	"	1	John E. Davis	Mary A. Rogers	"	"	Shoemaker	Barstield	Bedford
Aug. 21	"	"	1	Thomas Burns	Mary McKinney	"	"	Mill Operative	England	Scotland
Sept. 10	"	F	19	John Hoffman	Amelia Souel	"	"	"	Germany	Canada

Sept. 16	Pittsfield	F	S	W	Victor Reel	Victoria Valdeau	W	Pittsfield	Tramster	Canada	Canada
17	"	M	L	5	Edville Emerson	Lavinia Bryant	"	"	Shoemaker	Northwood	Northwood
Oct. 16	"	F	"	5	Charles F. Watson	Isabella Knowles	"	"	Farmer	Pittsfield	Canterbury
16	"	"	"	3	Charles F. Watson	Isabella Knowles	"	"	"	"	"
Nov. 11	"	"	"	2	Frank H. Thompson	Annie E. —	"	"	"	Sanford, Me	Alexandria
15	"	M	"	3	George L. Hall	Mary A. Caldwell	"	"	Merchant	Kingston, N. Y.	New Boston
Dec. 1	"	"	"	1	George H. Hall	Annie M. Joy	"	"	Shoemaker	Lynn, Mass.	Pittsfield
1	"	F	"	1	Walter G. Elkins	Lena J. Curtis	"	"	Carpenter	Pittsfield	Lewiston
5	"	M	"	1	Walter E. Cobb	Mary B. Doyle	"	"	Clerk	"	Newfoundland
8	"	F	"	1	Herbert C. Towle	Alfred M. James	"	"	Shoemaker	"	Pittsfield
13	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

No. of births, 39; male, 21; female, 18. Divided as to nationalities as follows: Colored, 1; French-American, 1; English and Scotch, 1; Irish American, 1; French Canadian, 13; French-German, 1; Scotch, 1; Americans, 20.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. D. OSGOOD, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Pittsfield, for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of Marriage, 1890.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age of each in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Marriage.	Name, residence, and Official Station of person by whom Married.
Jan. 1	Pittsfield	Frank A. Martin	Concord	30	W	Proprietor of Hotel	Cambridge- port, Mass.	Frederick Martin Caroline Davis	Sutton	Farmer	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman,
		Dena M. Twombly	Pittsfield	22	"	House- keeper	Pittsfield	E. A. Twombly	..... [Mass	Farmer	1	Clergyman, Pittsfield
Jan. 7	Pittsfield	Fred Riel	Pittsfield	21	"	Laborer	Vermont	Emily Marsh Newell Riel	Epsom	Housek'r	1	Louis M. Laplante, Priest,
		Zelia Genest	Pittsfield	20	"	Mill Oper- ative	Canada	Sophia Courten David Genest	"	Laborer	1	Hooksett
Feb. 3	Pittsfield	Harrison W. Macomber	Boston	21	"	Salesman	Boston, Mass.	Adelaide Fancher James B. Macomber	Jamaica Plin	Housek'r	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman,
		Mary Janet Danforth	Pittsfield	19	"	.....	Philadelphia	Sarah A. T. Mann David B. Danforth	Boston	Deceased	1	Clergyman, Pittsfield
Feb. 26	Pittsfield	Walter G. Elkins	Pittsfield	23	"	Carpenter	Pittsfield	Josephine Johnson Hollis R. Elkins	Connecticut	Stock Fitter	1	Mark Stevens, Clergyman,
		Lena J. Curtis	Pittsfield	15	"	House- keeper	Pittsfield	Abbie Gray	Pittsfield	Housek'r	1	Pittsfield
Mar. 8	Bradford, Mass.	Irvin Jones	Pittsfield	21	"	Shoemaker	Lewiston, Me.	Irving D. Curtis Maria Buzzell	"	Housek'r	1	J. D. Kingsbury, Clergyman,
		Ida Rines	Pittsfield	27	"	Shoe- Stitcher	Gilmanston	James M. Jones Nancy	"	Laborer	2	Bradford, Mass.
Mar. 9	Barnst'd	Eugene F. Hill	Pittsfield	24	"	Shoe- Laster	Pittsfield	Charles H. Brock Elmira Willey	Pittsfield	Shoemaker	1	Joseph Webster, Clergyman,
		May H. Bixby	Barnstead	19	"	Shoe- Stitcher	Northwood	Charles H. Hill Martha	Tuftsboro'	Deceased	1	Barnstead
Mar. 23	Pittsfield	Willie B. Brown	Pittsfield	21	"	Shoemaker	Barrington	William Bixby Mary	Northwood	Shoemaker	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman,
		Ella C. Hall	Epsom	24	"	Shoe- Stitcher	Pittsfield	Lorenzo A. Brown Mary A. Berry	Barrington	Housek'r	1	Clergyman, Pittsfield
							Epsom	Charles H. Hall Lucy Langley	Deerfield	Farmer	1	

Date	Name	Residence	Profession	Age	Remarks
Mar. 20	Pittsfield	Emery E. Cobb	Pittsfield	43	W Clerk
		Mary B. Day	Pittsfield	30	" House-keeper
Mar. 28	Pittsfield	John W. Elliott	Pittsfield	27	" Clerk
		Hattie B. Pike	Pittsfield	21	" House-keeper
April 7	Pittsfield	Vernor Deollett	Pittsfield	23	" Clerk
		Sophronia Benson	Pittsfield	22	" Mill Operative
April 10	Pittsfield	James Nutter	Pittsfield	64	" Farmer
		Ann J. Stockman	Pittsfield	58	" House-keeper
April 18	Pittsfield	Gilbert McNeilen	Pittsfield	24	" Plumber
		Elizabeth Hale	Pittsfield	22	" Weaver
May 31	Pittsfield	John W. Lowry	Pittsfield	32	" Waterman
		Elizabeth French	Pittsfield	33	" House-keeper
June 6	Pittsfield	William Wearing	Pittsfield	41	" Weaver
		Sarah E. Locke	Pittsfield	42	" House-keeper
June 13	Pittsfield	George W. Hubbard	Pittsfield	46	" Carpenter
		Mary F. Adams	Pittsfield	43	" Tailoress
July 7	Pittsfield	William Bagon	Boston	42	" Upholsterer
		Livonia E. Hindreth	Pittsfield	47	" House-keeper
July 12	Pittsfield	Rebecca L. Graham	Pittsfield	19	" Shoemaker
		Ann D. Knudson	Pittsfield	15	" Shoe Stitcher
July 19	Pittsfield	Edward Longevin	Pittsfield	21	" Weaver
		Virginia Fay	Pittsfield	19	" Weaver

Aug. 3	Pittsfield	Clarence W. Munsey	Pittsfield	32	W	Weaver	Barnstead	Benj. R. Munsey	Barnstead	Deceased	4	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Mary St. German	Hooksett	29	"	Weaver	Canada	Elizabeth Spokesfield	"	Housek'r Carpenter	1	
Aug. 10	Pittsfield	Leon C. Miller	Pittsfield	40	"	Farmer	Canada	Phimence	"	Housek'r	2	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Etta C. Drew	Loudon	22	"	House-keeper	Loudon	Conroy Miller	New Hamp.	Deceased	1	
Aug. 24	Loudon	Melvin H. Garland	Pittsfield	26	"	Shoemaker	Barnstead	Huidah Coile	"	Blacksmith	1	Franklin Blake, Clergyman, Loudon Center
		Nellie J. Bunker	Loudon	24	"	Dressmaker	Loudon	Henry Drew	"	Deceased	2	
Sept. 1	Pittsfield	Elmer A. Dustin	Wareham, Mass.	27	"	Blacksmith	Antrim	Calvin D. Garland	"	Housek'r	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Sadie Eva Leighton	Pittsfield	25	"	Tailoress	Gilmanston	Cyrus Green	"	Shoemaker	1	
Sept. 5	Pittsfield	Edward L. Johnson	Pittsfield	18	"	Shoemaker	Pittsfield	Benjamin T. Dustin	Gilmanston	Deceased	1	Alexander Wiswall, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Delia Shannon	Pittsfield	22	"	House-keeper	England	Andrew's Leighton	Detroit Mich.	Housek'r	1	
Sept. 14	Pittsfield	William H. Blake	Pittsfield	47	"	Clerk	Loudon	Charles Johnson	England	Farmer	2	Edward K. Webster, Justice of the Peace, Pittsfield
		Emma J. Munsey	Pittsfield	—	"	House-keeper	Pittsfield	Elizabeth Adams	Ireland	Housek'r	2	
Sept. 18	Pittsfield	Calvin Joy	Pittsfield	51	"	Farmer	Pittsfield	Sora Kelley	"	Deceased	1	Isaac W. Grimes, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Calista M. Parshley	Pittsfield	48	"	House-keeper	Strafford	William T. Blake	"	Housek'r	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
Oct. 14	Pittsfield	Fred B. Lovejoy	Chicopee, Mass.	23	"	Machinist	Conway	Johanna Welch	Pittsfield	Housek'r	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Cora G. Powell	Pittsfield	21	"	Saleslady	Concord	Timothy Welch	"	Housek'r	1	
Nov. 22	Concord	Fred H. Blanchard	Manchester	23	"	Pattern Cutter	Alfred, Me.	Lewis Joy	Concord	Shoemaker	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Lizzie C. Knowlton	Pittsfield	24	"	Tailoress	Pittsfield	Ann Parshley	Maine	Housek'r	1	
Nov. 26	Pittsfield	Harry G. Fisher	Lynn, Mass.	29	"	Inspector	Ware	Thomas Parshley	"	Painter	1	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
		Estella C. Young	Pittsfield	31	"	Stitcher	Strafford	— Foss	"	Winder	2	John E. Dame, Clergyman, Pittsfield
Dec. 24	Nashua	James Morse	Barre, Vt.	60	"	Carriage Maker	Cabot, Vt.	Elizabeth J. Norris	"	Deceased	3	O. J. White, Clergyman, Nashua
		Georgiana Chiesley	Chichester	49	"	House-keeper	Starstead, P. Q.	Albert S. Fisher	"	Housek'r	3	
								Andrew J. Young	"	Shoemaker		
								Batiles Morse	"	Deceased		
								Mary Daniels	Sanville Vt.	"		
								Daniel Turner	Vermont	"		
								Sophia	"	"		

Divided as to nationalities as follows: French, Canadians, 7; Irish, 2; English, 1; Scotch, 2; Americans, 46. 45 of the contracting parties were residents of Pittsfield.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. D. OSGOOD, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Pittsfield, for the year ending December 31, 1890.

Date of Death, 1890.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.		Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex.	Condition.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name, Mother.	Disease, or cause of Death.
				Years.	Months.			Single, Married or Widowed.	Color.						
Jan.	2	Pittsfield	George M. Moore	11	1	Barnstead	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Cerebral
3	"	"	Ella L. Currier	7	1	Bradley, Me	F	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	AnPec.FebPh
4	"	"	Mary Tane	12	3	Hampton	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Old Age
8	"	"	Caroline A. Green	30	3	Sanborn	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Pneumonia
10	"	"	Mary Rosa Pritchard	38	10	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	La Grippe
14	"	"	Maria M. Hanson	43	10	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
17	"	"	Jonathan Colby	72	10	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
18	"	"	Solomon W. Young	32	1	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
22	"	"	Joseph Kelley	32	1	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
25	"	"	Josephine Denmett	39	8	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
27	"	"	Susan M. Jenkins	75	11	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
31	"	"	Minnie Pedrick	29	1	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
Feb.	12	"	Mary E. Hill	19	6	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
17	"	"	Engenie Gauthier	26	6	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
24	"	"	Mary B. French	86	4	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
Mar	26	"	Isaac S. Carr	76	10	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
31	"	"	DeWitt M. Edgerley	92	1	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
Apr.	8	"	Sarah Prastree	51	4	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
14	"	"	Lane Perry Towle	51	1	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
14	"	"	Joseph E. Belduciden	9	6	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
21	"	"	John Dady	9	9	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
24	"	"	Nancy Longoe	Not Rep'd	8	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
26	"	"	Inf't of G. McStellen	76	8	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
May	6	"	Nancy Aiken	76	3	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
12	"	"	Sarah A. Locke	52	0	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.
15	"	"	Adeline O'Brien	2	2	Pittsfield	M	"	"	Housek'r	St Albans	Canada	Wethenby	.....	Scutle Bron.

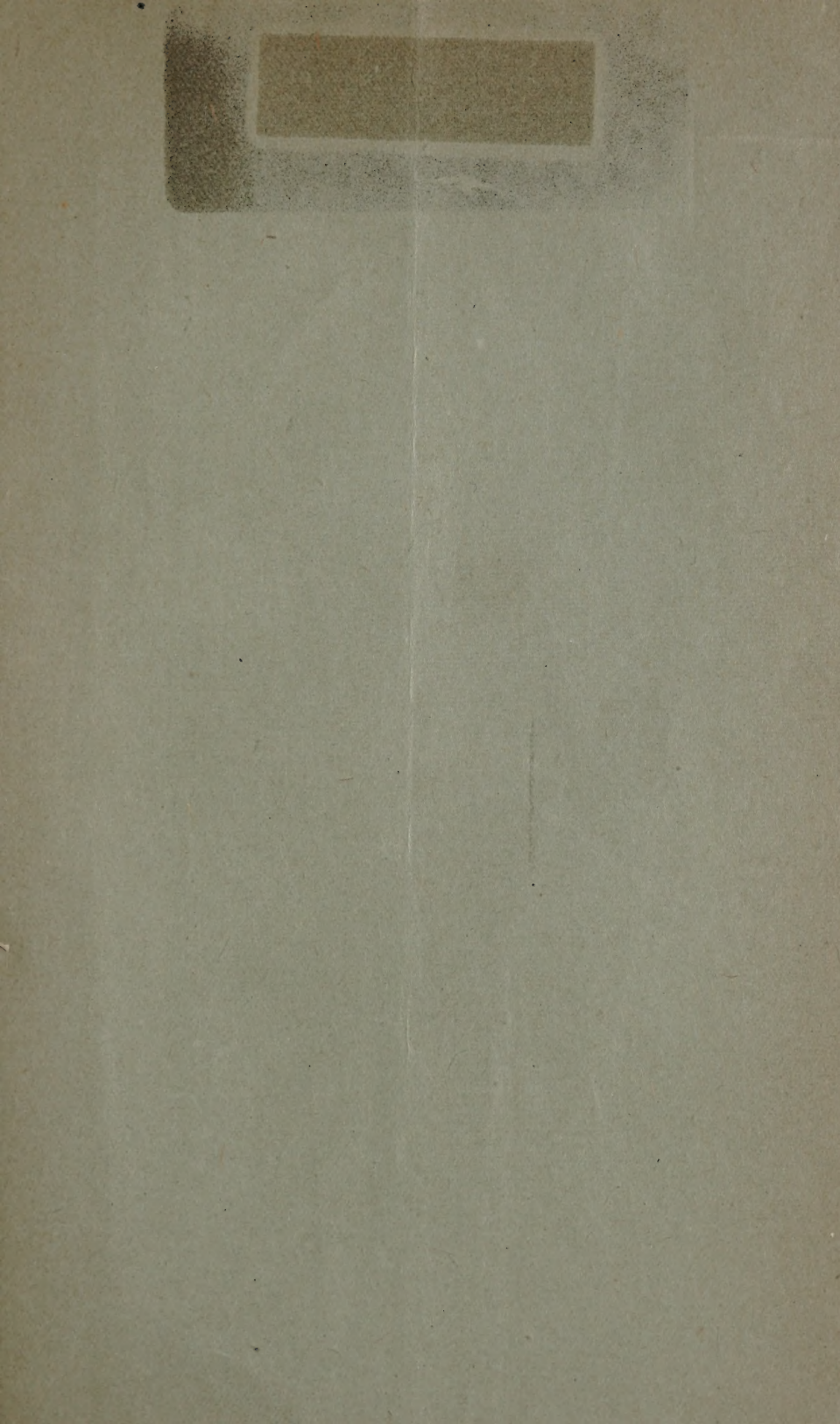
May 18	Pitts-	Rouben T. Leavitt	89	...	Pittsfield	M	W	Farmer	Hamp'n	Elis R	Reu'n T. Leavitt	Ruth Morris	Val Dis Heart
20	field	Child O. A. Emers'n	71	5	"	S	"	House-kr	Pittsfield	Northwood	Orin Emerson	Ella F. Brown	Stillborn
June 11	"	Hannah A. Ring	48	11	"	M	"	House-kr	Chichester	Chichester	Ezra Prescott	Hannah Brown	B'r't D-s&Pneu
12	"	Charles H. Weston	37	...	"	M	"	Engineer	"	"	Chas H. Weston	Francena Emers'n	Septicemia
13	"	Emma F. Thompson	39	5	17	"	"	House-kr	Gilmanston	Gilmanston	David Griffin	Elizabeth Sawyer	Consumption
July 18	"	Child at W. Brooks	75	...	Not Rep'd	W	"	"	Lynn, Mass	Lynn, Mass	Alfred Jacobs	Louise Richards'n	Cancer
21	"	Ann Ashton	75	...	Lynn, Mass	M	"	House-kr	Canada	Canada	Peter Tucker	"	Apoplexy
28	"	Melissa Hutchinson	56	4	Vermont	W	"	"	Canada	Canada	Paul Forner	"	Embolism
31	"	French Child	87	5	Not Rep'd	"	"	"	"	"	Thomas Martin	"	Old Age
Aug. 19	"	Deborah Brown	87	5	Chichester	S	"	"	Canada	Canada	Day Genest, Jr.	"	"
24	"	—Genest	61	1	Pittsfield	"	"	"	Canada	Canada	Willis W French	"	"
Sept. 12	"	Ralph French	61	1	"	"	"	"	Canada	Canada	John J. Tuttle	"	"
14	"	William Tuttle	61	1	Barnstead	"	"	"	Canada	Canada	Victor Reil	"	"
16	"	Infant of Victor Reil	...	12	Pittsfield	"	"	"	Canada	Canada	John A. West	"	"
20	"	Jennie Hoffman	25	5	"	"	"	"	Germany	Germany	Chas E. Perkins	"	"
24	"	Clarence M. West	25	5	Pembroke	"	"	"	Elsworth	Elsworth	John A. West	"	"
Nov. 10	"	Helen J. Perkins	16	10	"	"	"	"	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Charles E. West	"	"
14	"	Dana Marsh	46	8	"	"	"	"	Subornston	Subornston	Daniel Ford	"	"
19	"	Nancy Cole	85	9	"	"	"	"	Chichester	Chichester	Mary E. Stanyan	"	"
13	"	Charles E. West	17	10	"	"	"	"	Chichester	Chichester	Charles E. West	"	"
Dec. 14	"	Harriet J. P. n	76	1	"	"	"	"	Hamp'n	Hamp'n	Winthron Page	"	"
15	"	Audie A. Paige	44	8	"	"	"	"	Barnstead	Barnstead	Richard Bartlett	"	"
20	"	Martha Wedgewood	56	...	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
21	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

Number of deaths, 51; four less than in 1889; male, 14, females, 33; sex not reported, 4. Divided as to nationality as follows: Scotch, 1, French-German, 1, French Canadian, 9, American, 40. Oldest person, 92 years, 3 months, 23 days. 2 were over 90, 6 between 80 and 90, 8 between 70 and 80, 5 between 60 and 70, 4 between 50 and 60, 5 between 40 and 50, 3 between 30 and 40, 3 between 20 and 30, 2 between 10 and 20, 13 under 10 years of age.

There were 9 de this from pneumonia, 6 from heart disease, 6 from consumption, 3 from cancer, 2 each from grippe, Bright's disease, convulsions, apoplexy, old age, and 1 each of bronchitis, fractured hip joint, rheumatic fever, jaundice, typhoid fever, Hodgkins disease, embolism, meningitis, gastric fever, septicaemia, softening brain, stillborn, and 4 not reported. There have also died out of town the following 2 persons who were residents of Pittsfield at the time of their death and were brought here for interment: March 24, George Hammell, died in Raymond; April 6, John M. Sargent, died in Hooksett; July 19, Ira Emerson, died in Northwood; October 3, Edgar Locke, died in Hooksett.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. D. OSGOOD, Town Clerk.



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